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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT	
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA	١

ALFONSO MOUZON, Plaintiff,

v.

ALAMEDA COUNTY,

Defendant.

Case No. 24-cv-01907-DMR (PR)

ORDER OF TRANSFER

Plaintiff, who is currently in custody at Coalinga State Hospital, has filed this pro se civil rights action under 42 U.S.C. § 1983, alleging that he was improperly treated like the criminal pretrial detainees at the Fresno County Jail while he was only being held for civil commitment proceedings against him under California's Sexually Violent Predators Act in July 2021. See Dkt. 1. Plaintiff has also filed a motion for leave to proceed in forma pauperis. Dkt. 5.

When jurisdiction is not founded solely on diversity, venue is proper in the district in which (1) any defendant resides, if all of the defendants reside in the same state, (2) the district in which a substantial part of the events or omissions giving rise to the claim occurred, or a substantial part of property that is the subject of the action is situated, or (3) a judicial district in which any defendant may be found, if there is no district in which the action may otherwise be brought. See 28 U.S.C. § 1391(b).

The acts complained of in this complaint occurred at the Fresno County Jail, which is located in the Eastern District. Venue, therefore, properly lies in the Eastern District and not in this one. See 28 U.S.C. § 1391(b).

¹ The court notes that Plaintiff incorrectly indicates that while he was held at the Fresno County Jail, he was "being detained in the custody of the Alameda County Sheriff's Department." Dkt. 1 at 4. However, he was actually being detained in the custody of the *Fresno* County Sheriff's Office.

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United States District Court

Accordingly, in the interest of justice and pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1406(a), this action is
TRANSFERRED to the United States District Court for the Eastern District of California.

The Clerk of the Court shall terminate all motions and transfer the case forthwith. IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: September 30, 2024

DONNA M. RYU Chief Magistrate Judge